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Note to the Article on "Government by Party."

A correspondent has drawn our attention to a statement made at p. 265 in the above-named article. It is there said that "the only personage in the land who would not degrade herself before the popular idol [Garibaldi] was the highest of all." Our correspondent suggests that Mr. Disraeli is known to have held aloof from paying any kind of court to Garibaldi on the occasion referred to. The writer of the article informs us, that he was quite aware that Mr. Disraeli, and, indeed, some others now prominent on both sides of the line of party division, never went near Garibaldi, but that he conceives it to be uncertain whether the abstention was voluntary and on grounds of principle. If the author of "Lothair" refused to meet Garibaldi because he disapproved of what he had done, it might fairly be said that he "would not degrade himself." But this the writer has never heard asserted. Our correspondent may have been more fortunate.

